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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Patent Application of
Vancura

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For: KNOWLEDGE-BASED CASINO GAME
AND METHOD THEREFOR

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FIRST RESPONSE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In the claims:

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1. (amended) A method for playing a casino game comprising the steps of:
receiving a wager,
playing an underlying game of chance,
playing a knowledge-based bonus game using answers from a player in combination
with the underlying game of chance, the combined knowledge-based bonus game with the
underlying game of chance having a house advantage within a predetermined range.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein the underlying game of chance is a slot game.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein the step of playing the knowledge-based game
occurs when play of the underlying game of chance stops.